

## UPCOMING EVENTS

- Dec 18 7:30 Board Meeting  
9:00 General Membership Meeting
- Dec 19 9:00 Clubhouse Open
- Dec 25-26 Clubhouse Closed
- Dec 31 9:00 New Year's Eve Party  
Little Rock Expo Center
- Jan 1-2 Clubhouse Closed
- Jan 8 10p Clubhouse Committee Meeting  
Lariat Deadline
- Jan 9 6:30 Pottluck and Dancing
- Jan 15 7:30 Board Meeting  
9:00 General Membership Meeting
- Jan 16 9:00 Royalty Fund-raiser

**1999**



*Happy New Year*

## President's Report

'Tis the season.....! ..Again! The Christmas season is upon us. By the time you get this Lariat, some of you will have already done your Christmas shopping. The rest of you, like me, will only just have started! I have a tough time every

year of thinking up the kinds of gifts I want to give to my friends and family. What I have noticed from the D.S.R.A. is that we spend the entire year giving to those that we care about. For us, it has been Christmas all year long! We have given the greatest gift of all...the gift of ourselves. And for this, I want to say Thank You to all of the membership and the guests they have invited to be with us in this Year of Our Lord 1998 for all of the time spent and the efforts you have made on behalf of those who live with HIV/AIDS. I wish I could give more to you all...but I don't know how to go about ordering 70+ pairs of socks and underwear on such short notice!

We will soon be ringing in the New Year with our New Years Eve Party. This wraps up the year on our annual fund-raisers. It also starts off our fundraising for next year. To really make this happen, we will need volunteers to help out with the festivities. The sign up sheets are located at the clubhouse entrance. If you want to volunteer for anything or want more information, please contact any board member about it. Our phone numbers are located at the back of each and every Lariat.

Tickets to the party are also available! They can be purchased in advance (\$10 for members and \$12 for guests) or at the door the night of the party (\$15 for everyone!).

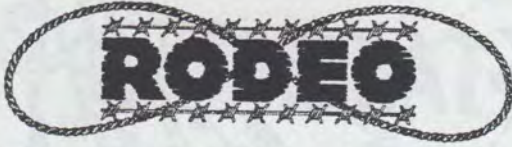
Merry Christmas, Happy Hanukkah and a very Happy New Year to all of you! And above all...Thank You! for all that you have done this year.

## Bud Light to Become IGRA National Sponsor!!

The IGRA Board of Directors recently voted to accept an offer from Anheuser-Busch for national sponsorship by Bud Light! This is great news for us and the success of our two rodeos this year! The final contract is being worked on, details will follow next month. So start drinking that Bud Light!!!







at much to report. The last rodeo meeting only five people made it. Not what I had expected. All I can ask is that you please make an effort to attend these meetings. There are lots of this to do and the five of us can't and shouldn't have to do it all ourselves.

Moving on ward, belt buckles. We still have 26 to sponsor. The sponsorship fee is still \$175. Please make ask you friends with businesses if they'd like to sponsor a buckle. Individuals are also welcome to sponsor buckles. I suggest getting a group of friends together with a common interest and co-sponsoring a buckle. Whatever it takes.

Thanks to Karen E. and the girls for the show last women's night. Their tips went into the rodeo account. Way to go girls. The next rodeo fund raiser, besides the BIG New Years Eve party, will be bingo night in January. \$10 per person

for ten games. Each Game will have a prize of a gift certificate to a local restaurant. Please invite all your friends. And if you'd like to donate a gift, please give me a call.

The next rodeo meeting will be January 17th. Please be there. DSRA needs your help.

Julie

### Events Chair Report

December is always a busy time for everyone, what with Christmas shopping, decorating, parties and time spent with family. Due to the way both Christmas and New Year's fall, the Clubhouse will be closed for two weekends, December 25-26 and January 1-2. But that doesn't mean the DSRA will be idle. Be sure and purchase your New Year's Eve tickets from any DSRA member. This year's party is sure to be "THE" place to be to bring in 1999. And speaking of 1999, it is going to be a HUGE year for our

organization. We are going to start it off right with a potluck on January 9th, a Royalty Fund-raiser on January 16th, Pizza and Movie Night on the 22nd and Bingo on the 23rd. The month ends with Bear Nite on the 30th and a Super Bowl Party on the 31st. WHEW... what a month of activities, not to mention the fact that we will be getting hot and heavy into rodeo preparation. Make plans to come out the as many events as you can.

We are going to try another Pizza and a Movie night January 22nd and 7:30 pm. This month we plan to show a double feature of Striptease and The Full Monty. We will start the first movie promptly at 7:45 so get there early. cost for the evening is \$5 which covers your pizza and a soda. (Of course, your favorite adult beverages will be available at the bar!!) Make plans to attend!!!



I just wanted to thank everyone that adopted an angel and tell you all that

I was successful in getting all 62 people given to us by RAIN sponsored for Christmas. This is one of the most rewarding yet stressful events I take on. But the out come is always worth all the time and phone calls it takes to get everyone in need taken care of.

The people you all help are most often without families. It is a very wonderful thing that you do for them, just letting them know someone cares about them. This is a very special time of year for most of us, but for those less fortunate, it can be very frustrating. Thank you DSRA and our friends and family for remembering the true meaning of Christmas.

Julie

**Just Fun:** Why did the blonde snort Nutrasweet? She thought it was Diet Coke.

Why don't they have blind skydivers? It scares the shit out of the dogs.



## From MR.DSRA

Christmas is coming and going! FAST! Now it's New Year's Eve time already. Soon it will be rodeo time and there's so much yet to do.

Besides New Year's Eve, which you need to circle in red right this very minute, there is another event in January to mark your calendar for. Greg and I are planning a fund-raiser show for January 16. Yes, it'll be live entertainment, but with a little twist. If you'd like to see some of your favorite lesbians doing some very unlesbian-like things, the clubhouse is the place to be on January 16. Also, we're trying to get some new folks to drop by that you may not have seen perform before--a must see. Yes, some of the old farts will be there, too. The evening promises to be a bit different than usual, so make your plans now for January 16. We'll remind you later on about the festivities.

Greg and I will most likely be traveling around the state a bit after the new year so

we'll keep you posted. Maybe you'd like to get out of Little Rock some night early next year.

Remember, the show on the 16th is a fund-raiser for belt buckles for the April Rodeo in the Rock. Also, if you bring a canned/nonperishable food item, the door donation is half-price! Even for your guests! Just think, you can bring two tricks for the price of one! But seriously, HPWA needs the food and Linda Horton is a happy camper. See you New Year's Eve and January 16th for the show!

Dennis Noble,  
Mr. DSRA, '98-'99

## New Year's Eve Volunteers Needed!!

Plans for the 10th Annual DSRA New Year's Eve Party are quickly being finalized. We plan to have more space, food, and FUN this year than ever!

We will be in the Expo Center again but with a new setup.

Please, PLEASE, help us sell tickets to our biggest rodeo fund-raiser of the year! Tickets are available from the Clubhouse, Karen E., Janeice C., and Steve M. at 374-8897.

Sign up sheets for volunteers are at the Clubhouse. If you can't make it there, please call Steve M. at 374-8897. The more volunteers, the less stress on all of us! It's the best way to meet everyone there! We also have a tradition of providing lots of good food at the party, donated by members. A sign-up sheet is available at the Clubhouse, or call Steve so he doesn't have to call YOU!

Help make the 10th Anniversary party the best ever!

## WINTER GATHERING (BEAR NIGHT)

Well it is time again for all bears and their admirers to come on down to the DSRA Clubhouse for the Winter Gathering. It is on January 30, 1999 at 9pm. There was a real

good turn out for the Fall Gathering; we had about 30 people show up. The beer flowed freely and all had a REAL good time! Old friends as well as some new ones showed up and everyone drank and danced and...well do what bears do best!!! YES, there will be keg beer and door prizes again! The Arkansas Bear Hats are a favorite! So don't be bored on a cold winters' night; come on down and warm up with some friendly BEARS!! Hopefully we will have some folks from Ozark Mountain Bears and maybe from Memphis as well! See Y'all There!! Tex

## SUPER BOWL PARTY

The season is almost over and it is time once again for Super Bowl predictions.

Just who will be in Super Bowl XXXIII don't know and wouldn't even try to guess, but I do know that DSRA Super Bowl party and Chili Cook-Off will held at the clubhouse on the 31 of January, 1999. Time will be announced

DSRA now has an easier to remember URL for its webpage:

**<http://welcome.to/dsra>**

Although the old URL ( <http://www.aristotle.net/~dsra> ) still works, the new one is easier to remember, so please use it when directing anyone to the site.



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when they set game time. So here is the deal you can watch the game on a BIG screen t.v. (We hope to have cable) and eat some really good chili too! More details to follow in a flyer and in January's Lariat. If you would like to be in the Chili Cook-Off please- give me a call at 988-5603 or you can call

friends say, "I didn't know anything about it!" Please contact Steve Mitchell at 374-8897 or [smitch@aristotle.net](mailto:smitch@aristotle.net) with snail mail or e-mail addresses. Don't forget to talk up the events yourself. **HELP US GET THE WORD OUT!** It's the only way we can have a fun, financially successful event which enables us to donate to the worthy service organizations in the area.



**ADDRESSES  
NEEDED!**

Your assistance is needed! We are continuing to develop a mailing list for big events such as New Year's Eve and the rodeo. Without a local community newspaper we need to remind our friends about these upcoming major events. I know you've all had

**Potluck and  
Dancing on  
January 9!**


On Saturday night, January 9, we will once again have a potluck at the DSRA Clubhouse. This is a great opportunity to get out of the house during the dark, cold days of winter and visit with friends while making new ones. If you haven't been to one of our potlucks you've been missing some really great food!

6:30 P.M., with eating beginning at 7:00 P.M. Contact Steve Mitchell at 374-8897 or [smitch@aristotle.net](mailto:smitch@aristotle.net) about what to bring to eat. You can pay a \$5 cover and eat without cooking if you just can't cook. But we'd love to taste your home cookin'!

After a little digesting, we will have some dancing going on in the dancehall so come on down and cure those winter blues!

The doors will open at



The next Lariat deadline is January 8 th. If you are interested in submitting an article for publication, please contact Mike at 666-3706  [MIKE4DSRA@aol.com](mailto:MIKE4DSRA@aol.com) FAX 661-1427 (Call first)

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